

# YALE AVIATION NEWSLETTER

July 2013



Shepard Stone receiving 55044's old propeller from President Clarice Begemann

## UPCOMING EVENTS –

- Ideas for further events this year include a tour of the CT Air & Space Center and more breakfast/lunch flights, but Ty can't do it alone!!! Interested in helping out? Contact Ty Kamp ([tahia.kamp@yale.edu](mailto:tahia.kamp@yale.edu)).

## PILOTS...

Due to delays with the FAA, your sectionals are good until July 25<sup>th</sup>!



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Congratulations to **Manas Prasad** on passing his written exam with a score of 98%!

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Congrats to **Mirai Hashimoto** on her commercial license. So long, private pilot! (shown in photo with John Ackerman)

## Welcome to our new members:



**Ben Baumgaertner** - I am 16 years old and a rising senior at Xavier High School in Middletown, CT. I have always loved flying. Since I was a few months old, I have traveled the globe with my family - my dad journeys to all corners of the world for business. I have been grateful enough to accompany him on many of his trips. However, no matter where we were going, the airplane ride was always the highlight for me. Last summer, I solidified my plans to pursue aviation after participating in a summer program at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona

Beach, Florida. I am excited to start flying with Yale Aviation and begin my path towards my Airline Transport Pilot's license and a career in commercial aviation. Pictured at right is me inside the cockpit of a United Boeing 747-400 in Chicago, Illinois, prior to our flight to Beijing, China. I was 10 at the time and, to this day, my passion for flying is still unchanged.





**Zhu Wang** - I am going to be a third year Ph.D. student in Applied Mathematics. Raised in the Chinese coastal city of Dalian, I spent almost 5 years in Salt Lake City, Utah. As a graduate student, I should be busy with school. However, there is always time for flying. Thanks for having me in the club.



**Akihiro and Mirai Hashimoto** flew 3 kids on their first Young Eagle flight on Sunday July 14: Emma (16), Alana (14), and Jose (14). (Akihiro flew with Alana, and Mirai flew with Jose and Emma.) They flew to the Guilford swamp and back, with Emma, Alana & Jose helping with take offs and ascending/descending.



There were several clouds above so they ended up using "Charlie's altitude"

2,750 feet (I hope he doesn't mind) and stayed there while they did some turns, then came back to New Haven and took pictures together! Here they are!!



Contact **Clarice Begemann** ([claricebeg@aol.com](mailto:claricebeg@aol.com)) for more information on how you can take a young eagle flying!

## ... & PLANES



**32028** had its annual/100 hours and is good to go! (A spinner backing plate will be replaced when the new part comes in, fyi).

**55044** is also a-ok.

*Any idea on what this mystery piece of metal is for?? Answer next month....*

Yale Aviation is a 501(c)3 organization - your contribution is tax deductible and helps promote aviation education!! **Keep Yale Aviation alive in the future as it was for you!**

## AVIATION EDUCATION & NEWS –

*Remember our mission to promote aviation education! Below is a great example of how to do this (even as a student pilot) - from **Ty Kamp**:*



interest, and so accordingly, we exchanged contact information.

After a few weeks of trying to schedule some backseat flights with Christina, we were finally able to meet up on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Her excitement was tangible and served to amplify my own, which is always present in ample measure whenever I'm due to fly. I walked her through our weather briefing and our preflight, and it proved a great test of my own knowledge to answer her insightful questions. For once, my passenger briefing seemed to have real weight to it, and I could sense my own seriousness rise as I aimed to convey to our passenger the rigor – and beauty – of flight. It



part of our mission is a very happy one to fulfill.

Back in June, I attended my 15<sup>th</sup> (!) Yale Reunion, and in my endless quest to promote our good club, I was resplendent in Yale Aviation gear. Between the YA flight jacket, the Ray Ban's, and Frederick III's bomber jacket, one would be forgiven for thinking we had an interest in flying. On approaching the registration desk, I met some of the student staffers, who immediately started to ask "What is Yale Aviation?" and "Does Yale really have a flight club?" These questions hit the target, for sure, and before long, I was regaling them with stories of gorgeous flights along the Connecticut coastline and invigorating practice sessions with The Colonel. One of them, Miss Christina Bui '13, who was just about to graduate Yale College, took a particular



was a hot day, of course, but in spite of the frequent thermals we hit, Christina was perfect, even during some of my less enviable landings. I also learned a lot from Charlie about how to engage first-time fliers by having them spot landmarks like Guilford's Stonehenge and Bishop's Orchards.

Surely Christina, wonderful as she is, would say the pleasure was all on her side, but what I realized was how much it meant to me as a student pilot to introduce another prospective student to our world. Although she is soon leaving campus to begin her postgraduate program in podiatry, I am confident that she will embark on training herself, smitten with it as she was. Let this serve as a reminder that the seminal

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For those of you following Solar Impulse: Solar Impulse made it to JFK and was available for visits yesterday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. For future plans, check out their website: [SOLAR IMPULSE - AROUND THE WORLD IN A SOLAR AIRPLANE](#)

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And for you interested in human powered flight: A human-powered helicopter built by a Toronto team has won the Sikorsky Prize, a \$250,000 award that lay unclaimed for 33 years. The chopper was the first in the contest to reach three metres and stay up for a minute in a 10-square-metre area.



**TWEED NEWS -**



Yale Aviation wishes a fond “fare well” to Glen Evans, who has moved on to 3 Wings at Bridgeport!

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**TSA Badges** – Have you renewed? Remember that to complete the procedure, you must have a completed application signed by our TSA signatory, **Jeff Welsh** (203-481-7676, calling between the hours of 10 am to 5 pm is best). Once that is done, you must call KATHY GRANT (203-466-8833 ext 109) to make an appointment to pay your \$10 renewal fee (cash or check) over at West Ramp and have your new badge issued.

## ONLINE -

**MERCHANDISE!** We sold many t-shirts, mugs and stickers at the last Wash & Wax, but mugs remain. Interested? Mugs (12 oz) are \$15 each. Stickers are \$1 each, and t-shirts are \$20 - once there is enough interest, we'll place another order for stickers and T's. Let Laura know if you want to purchase!

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**Yale Aviation** is on Facebook! Be sure to post photos, ask questions of fellow pilots, encourage those who are working their way through ratings and exams, or see if you can organize a passenger on your next flight. Email **Tom Sobocinski** ([tom@caseusnewhaven.com](mailto:tom@caseusnewhaven.com)) or **Laura Baldwin** ([lfbaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfbaldwin@aol.com)) to be invited to join this closed group. Questions on how to set up a Facebook account, email **Laura Baldwin** ([lfbaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfbaldwin@aol.com)).

Remember pictures can also be posted on our Yale Aviation website at [www.YaleAviation.org](http://www.YaleAviation.org).

In addition, we are looking for those last three (3!) people to complete the **gallery** of names, faces and ratings on the website – please send Laura ([lfbaldwin@aol.com](mailto:lfbaldwin@aol.com)) a picture as we work to include this new feature on the site. [*Please, please, please: Leslie Ashie, Amy Jeffries, & David Perkins!*]

## SIMULATOR -

Anyone needing simulator access should e-mail **Ty Kamp** ([tahia.kamp@yale.edu](mailto:tahia.kamp@yale.edu)) the alpha-numeric code on the back of their Yale IDs. Those without Yale IDs need to enter with Charlie, who has a key to the Simulator Room in Engineering.



The Yale Aviation Newsletter will go out to the membership on the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. Please let me know if you have any news, suggestions, or comments: [YASecretary@aol.com](mailto:YASecretary@aol.com)

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